# Climate Change and Disability Inclusion

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# The ASEAN Disability Forum (ADF)

- 1. Established in Bangkok in 2011
- 2. Launched its management structure in Siem Reap in 2013
- 3. Set up its permanent secretariat in Jakarta in 2014
- 4. Registered legal entity in Jakarta in 2015
- 5. Accredited ASEAN CSO since June 2017
- 6. Recognized by:
  - Bali Declaration on the Enhancement of the Role and Participation of The Persons with Disabilities in ASEAN Community and Mobilization
  - \* Framework of the ASEAN Decade of Person with Disabilities (2011 2020)

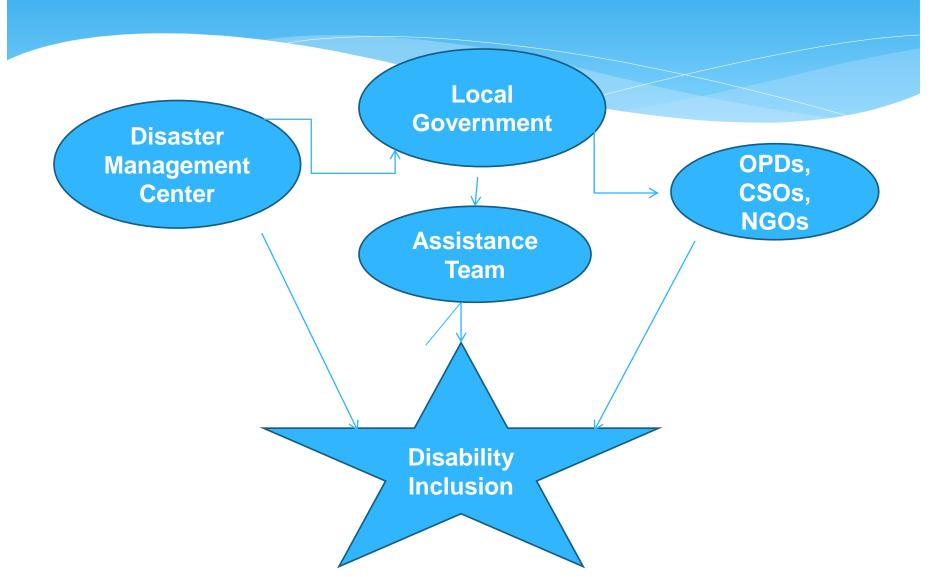
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#### Recommendations



### Social inclusion in Future Climate Change road map In ASEAN

- Climate change has impacted everyone. No one can resist climate change especially vulnerable groups like persons with disabilities who would face more severe consequences – loss of family / community support & lack employment opportunities.
- There is little comprehensive study of climate change impacting persons with disabilities either globally, or in ASEAN.
- Organizations of Persons with Disabilities (OPDs) in ASEAN are lagging behind in terms of climate change information compared to other regions such as Europe and America.



## Social inclusion in Future Climate Change road map In ASEAN

- OPDs do not pay attention to climate change issues although there are adverse impact on persons with disabilities. In addition, governments in ASEAN do not involve persons with disabilities in policymaking.
- This has resulted in persons with disabilities being left further behind in climate change policies across ASEAN.
- The ADF is advocating for ASEAN governments to use the ASEAN Enabling Masterplan 2025 – Mainstreaming the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, as a blueprint for disability inclusion.
- This would mean the direct involvement of persons with disabilities in every stage of its implementation including monitoring and evaluation of the Enabling Masterplan.

